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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Group Art Unit2172 ExaminerTruong, Cam Y T Title: Computer-readable Designators and Methods and Systems of Using the Same RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 15, 2003 Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks To: P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313 Lance R. Sadler (Tel. 509-324-9256; Fax 509-323-8979) From: Lee & Hayes, PLLC 421 W. Riverside Avenue, Suite 500 Spokane, WA 99201 This communication is in response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2003. The three-month shortened statutory period for response to the Office Action is set for October 15, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application in accordance with the directions set forth below.

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